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Personnel Office

SUBJECT:

Contractor for Study of Personnel Selection

for Foreign Language Study

1. As an initial step in the development of a fully adequate procedure for selecting Agency personnel for foreign language training, it is proposed to undertake a study by a contractor.

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an outstanding expert in the study of languages and the factors which make for success in learning one. It is my understanding that was once partially processed for work in this Agency. At the present time he has submitted his PHS, after having been approved by the Director for a consultant position.

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3. To expedite progress, it is proposed that this initial contract be unclassified. It will not involve contact with any Agency personnel except the Chief, Assessment and Evaluation Staff, nor will it involve discussing with any classified information.

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4. A tentative proposal is attached. This has been drawn up by after preliminary discussion with the Chief, Assessment and Evaluation Staff. It is requested that this proposal be drawn up in appropriate contract terms at the earliest possible date.

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